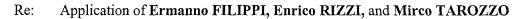


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May 10, 2001

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231





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REACTOR FOR EXOTHERMIC OR ENDOTHERMIC HETEROGENEOUS REACTIONS

Assignee: METHANOL CASALE S.A.

Our Ref. Q64333

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 20 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and 6 sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, Small Entity Status Declaration and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows (Small Entity fees apply):

Total claims	11 - 20	= 0 x	\$9.00	=	\$.00
Independent claims	2 - 3	$=$ 0 \mathbf{x}	\$40.00	=	\$.00
Base Fee					\$355.00

TOTAL FEE \$355.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$355.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from May 11, 2000 based on European Application No. 00109968.8. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE, MION, ZINN,

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